

# Emergency Support Functions

1. Transportation – Primary: DOT
  - Provides staffing when requested
  - FS - Provides transportation when Agency assets are most effective method
2. Communications - DHS
  - FS - Telecommunications support
3. Public Works and Engineering – DOD (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers)
  - FS - Provides engineering and contracting/procurement personnel and equipment to assist in emergency removal of debris, demolition, repair of roads, and bridges, temporary repairs or essential public facilities, and water supply; firefighting or FS Disaster and Emergency Operation Branch
4. Firefighting – USDA/FS
5. Emergency Management – DHS
  - ALL FEDERAL AGENCIES
6. Mass Care, Housing, and Human Services – DHS
  - FNS - Locates and secures supplies of food, including federally owed surplus foods, to supplement those in disaster area; provides statistics of quantities and locations of food furnished
  - FS – provides departmental resources for shelters
7. Resource Support – GSA
  - FS - Provides staff and support for mobilization centers when assigned by FEMA; provides assistance related to transportation and accountability of commodities as mobilization centers
8. Public Health and Medical Services –HHS
  - FS - Provides personnel, equipment and supplies, firefighting
  - Serves on Advisory Team for Environment, Food, and Health and provides support for public health matters for radiological incidents

**USDA supports multiagency response to domestic incidents through:**

  - FNS – Provision of nutrition assistance; assurance of food safety
  - APHIS – control and eradication of an outbreak of a highly contagious or an economically devastating animal disease
  - Provision of appropriate personnel, equipment, and supplies coordinated through APHIS Emergency Management Operation Center
9. Urban Search and Rescue – DHS
  - FS -Develops standby agreement with Urban Search and Rescue task forces to provide equipment and supplies
  - FS - Develops contingency plans for use of National Interagency Fire Center aircraft during incidents; provides equipment and supplies

10. Oil and Hazardous Materials Response – EPA
  - FS - Measures, evaluates and monitors impact of incident on natural resources under USDA jurisdiction (forests); provides predictions of effects of pollutants on soil; damage assessments & protective measures
  - **Assists in disposition of livestock and poultry contaminated with Hazardous material; provides technical assistance and logistical support**
11. Agriculture and Natural Resources – USDA (APHIS, FNS, NCH) & DOI
  - FNS – provision of nutrition assistance
  - **APHIS – Animal and Plant Disease and Pest Response**
  - FSIS – Assurance of the safety and security of commercial food supply
12. Energy – DOE
  - **RUS – Provides advice regarding restoration of electrical power in RUS-financed systems; estimating damage and need for assistance; provides emergency credit**
13. Public Safety and Security – DHS & DOJ
  - FS - May provide trained personnel and security resources; Federal public safety and security authorities for areas under their jurisdiction
14. Long-Term Community Recovery and Mitigation – DHS
  - **FSA - Emergency Loans for agricultural sector, technical assistance for market recovery, rural housing, resource conservation; financial assistance for emergency watershed protection**
15. External Affairs – DHS
  - ALL FEDERAL AGENCIES

Forest Service (FS)  
Food and Nutrition Services (FNS)  
**Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)**  
**Food Safety Inspection Service**  
**Rural Utilities Service (RUS)**  
Farm Services Administration (FSA)